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PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK

ESTABLISHMENT: PROCLAMATION (NO 697) OF

DECEMBER 8, 1906, (34 STAT 1266).

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

[No. 697—Dec. 8, 1906—34 Stat. 3266]

WHEREAS, it is provided by section two of the Act of Congress, approved June 8, 1906, entitled, "An Act for the preservation of American Antiquities," "That the President of the United States is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to declare by public proclamation historic land marks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest that are situated upon the lands owned or controlled by the Government of the United States to be National Monuments, and may reserve as a part thereof parcels of land, the limits of which in all cases shall be confined to the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the object to be protected;"

AND, WHEREAS, the mineralized remains of Mesozoic forests, commonly known as the "Petrified Forest," in the Territory of Arizona, situated upon the public lands owned and controlled by the United States, are of the greatest scientific interest and value and it appears that the public good would be promoted by reserving these deposits of fossilized wood as a National monument with as much land as may be necessary for the proper protection thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by section two of the aforesaid Act of Congress, do hereby set aside as the Petrified Forest National Monument, subject to any valid and existing rights, the deposits of mineralized forest remains situated in Gila and Apache counties, Arizona, more particularly located and described as follows, to wit:

Sections 1 to 18 inclusive in township 16 north, range 23; sections 20 to 29 inclusive and sections 31 to 36 inclusive in township 17 north, range 23; sections 1 to 12 inclusive and section 18 in township 16 north, range 24; sections 2 to 11 inclusive and sections 14 to 36 inclusive in township 17 north, range 24; sections 5, 6, 7 and 8, in township 16 north, range 25; and sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31 and 32 in township 17 north, range 25, all east of the Gila and Salt River Meridian as shown upon the map hereto attached and made a part of this proclamation.

Warning is hereby expressly given to all unauthorized persons not to appropriate, excavate, injure or destroy any of the mineralized forest remains hereby declared to be a National monument or to locate or settle upon any of the lands reserved and made a part of said monument by this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington, this 8th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six and the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-first.

[SEAL]

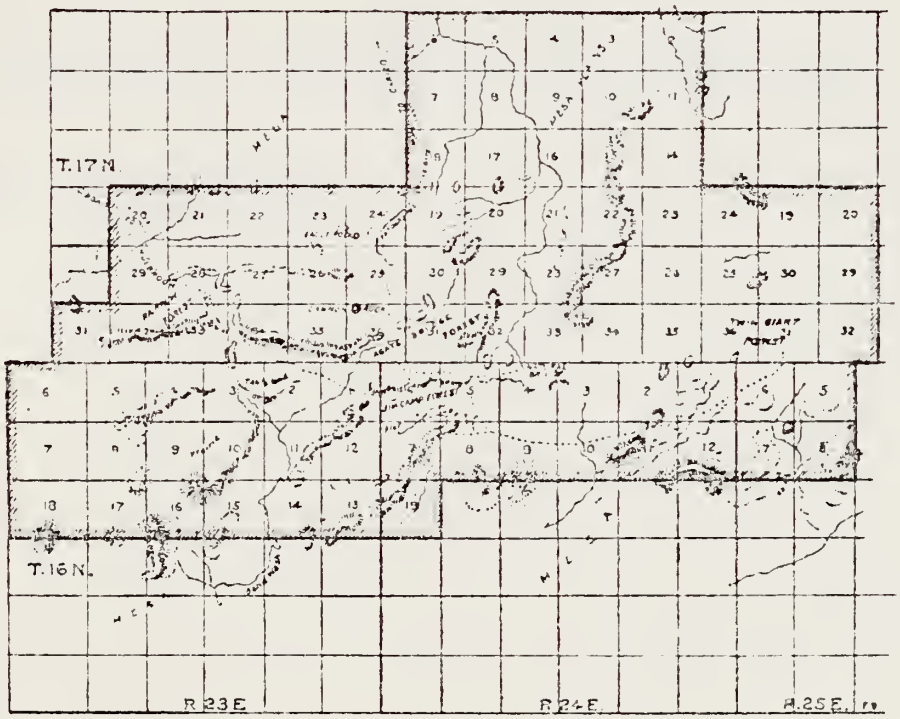
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

By the President:
ELIHU ROOT,
Secretary of State.

PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL MONUMENT

Embracing sections 1 to 18 inclusive in T. 16 N., R. 23; sections 20 to 29 inclusive and 31 to 36 inclusive in T. 17 N., R. 23; sections 1 to 12 inclusive and sec. 18 in T. 16 N., R. 24; sections 2 to 11 inclusive and sections 14 to 36 inclusive in T. 17 N., R. 24; sections 5, 6, 7 and 8 in T. 16 N., R. 25, sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31 and 32 in T. 17 N., R. 25, all East of the GILA and SALT RIVER MERIDIAN, ARIZONA

Containing 60,776.02 acres



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GENERAL LAND OFFICE,
Wm. A. Richards, Commissioner

[MAP ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THE PROCLAMATION DATED DECEMBER 8, 1906.]

PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK

BOUNDARIES REDUCED: PROCLAMATION (NO 1167) OF JULY 31, 1911, (37 STAT 1716).

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

[No. 1167—July 31, 1911—37 Stat. 1716]

WHEREAS, The Petrified Forest National Monument, Arizona, created by proclamation dated December 8, 1906, has been found, through a careful geological survey of its deposits of mineralized forest remains, to reserve a much larger area of land than is necessary to protect the objects for which the Monument was created, and therefore the same should be reduced in area to conform to the requirements of the act authorizing the creation of National Monuments;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William H. Taft, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by Section two of the act of Congress entitled, "An Act for the Preservation of American Antiquities", approved June 8, 1906, do hereby set aside and reserve as the Petrified Forest National Monument, subject to any valid, existing rights, the deposits of mineralized forest remains, together with enough lands to insure the protection thereof, situated in Gila and Apache counties, Arizona, these lands being more particularly located and described as follows: Sections one, two, eleven and twelve, and the east half each of sections three and ten, in township sixteen north, range twenty-three; Sections four, five, six, seven, eight and nine, and the west half each of sections three and ten, in township sixteen north, range twenty-four; Sections thirty-four, thirty-five and thirty-six, in township seventeen north, range twenty-three; Sections three to ten, inclusive, fifteen to twenty-two, inclusive, twenty-seven to thirty-three, inclusive, and the west half each of sections two, eleven, fourteen, twenty-three and twenty-six, in township seventeen north, range twenty-four, all east of the Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona, as shown upon the map hereto attached and made a part of this proclamation.

Warning is hereby expressly given to all unauthorized persons not to appropriate, excavate, injure or destroy any of the mineralized forest remains situated within this Monument reservation, or to locate or settle upon any of the lands reserved by this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

DONE at the city of Washington this 31st day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eleven, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty-sixth.

[SEAL]

WM. H. TAFT.

By the President:

ALVEY A. ADEE,

Acting Secretary of State.

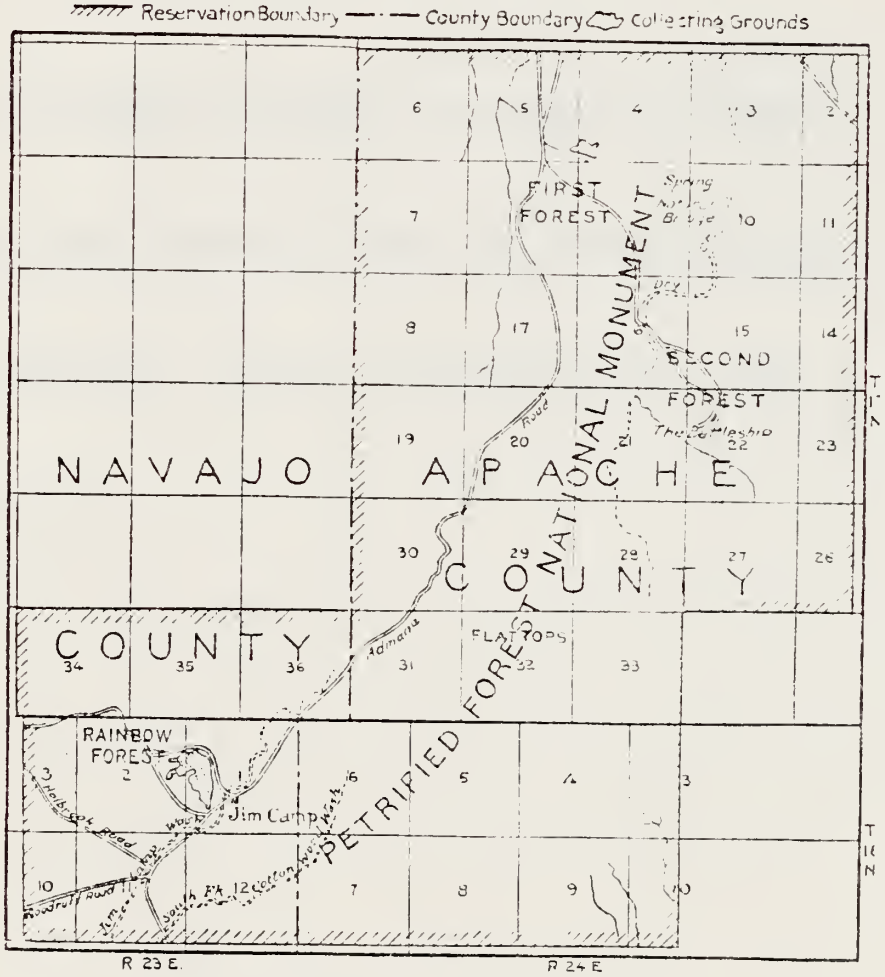
PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL MONUMENT

Embracing Secs 1, 2 11, & 12 and E½ Secs 3 & 10, T. 16 N, R. 23 E. Secs 4 to 9 & W½ Secs 3 & 10, T 16 N, R. 24 E Secs 34, 35, 36, T. 17 N. R. 23 E Secs 3 to 10, 15 to 22, 27 to 33 & W½ Secs 2, 11, 14, 23, 26, T 17 N R 24 E Gila and Salt River Meridian

ARIZONA

Containing 40.04 square miles

Reservation Boundary — County Boundary — Collecting Grounds



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GENERAL LAND OFFICE
Fred Dennett, Commissioner

PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE EXCHANGES OF LANDS WITH OWNERS OF PRIVATE-LAND HOLDINGS WITHIN THE PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL MONUMENT, ARIZONA, APPROVED MAY 14, 1930, (46 STAT 278).

An Act To authorize exchanges of lands with owners of private-land holdings within the Petrified Forest National Monument, Arizona, approved May 14, 1930 (46 Stat. 278)

Petrified Forest National Monument, Ariz. Acquisition of privately owned lands within. Public lands to be given in exchange.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior, for the purpose of eliminating private holdings of land within the Petrified Forest National Monument, Arizona, is hereby empowered, in his discretion, to obtain for the United States the complete title to any or all of the lands held in private ownership within the boundaries of the Petrified Forest National Monument, Arizona, as now or as may be hereafter defined, by accepting from the owners of such privately owned lands complete relinquishment thereof and by granting and patenting to such owners, in exchange therefor, in each instance, like public lands of equal value situated in Navajo and/or Apache Counties in the State of Arizona, after due notice of the proposed exchange has been given by publication for not less than thirty days in the counties where the lands proposed to be exchanged or taken in exchange are located: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Interior shall, on application or otherwise, designate public lands located outside the extreme boundaries of the said monument subject to exchange under this Act which are, in his opinion, chiefly valuable for grazing and raising forage crops, do not contain merchantable timber, are not susceptible of irrigation from any known source of water supply, and are of character similar to the privately owned lands offered in exchange. (U.S.C., 6th supp., title 16, sec. 444.)

Proviso. Nature of lands.

Value of lands to be ascertained.

SEC. 2. That the value of all patented lands within said monument offered for exchange, and the value of the lands of the United States to be given in exchange therefor, shall be ascertained in such manner as the Secretary of the Interior may direct; and the owners of such privately owned lands within said monument shall, before any exchange is effective, furnish the Secretary of the Interior evidence satisfactory to him of title to the patented lands offered in exchange; and lands conveyed to the United States under this Act shall be and remain a part of the Petrified Forest National Monument. (U.S.C., 6th supp., title 16, sec. 444a.)

Title required.

PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK

BOUNDARIES ENLARGED: PROCLAMATION (NO 1927) OF NOVEMBER 14, 1930, (46 STAT 3040).

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

[No. 1927—Nov. 14, 1930—46 Stat. 3040]

WHEREAS it appears that the public interest would be promoted by adding to the Petrified Forest National Monument, in the State of Arizona, certain adjoining lands for the purpose of including within said monument a certain approach highway and additional features of scenic and scientific interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Herbert Hoover, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by section 2 of the act of Congress entitled "An act for the preservation of American antiquities," approved June 8, 1906 (34 Stat. 225), do proclaim that, subject to the rights of the owners of privately owned lands and prior valid claims initiated and maintained pursuant to the land laws of the United States, the following described lands in Arizona be, and the same are hereby, added to and made a part of the Petrified Forest National Monument: those portions of the SE.¼ and E.½ SW.¼ sec. 4 lying south and east of the southern boundary of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co.'s right of way; E.½, SW.¼ and that part of the E.½ NW.¼ sec. 9 lying south and east of the southern boundary of said right of way; SW.¼ sec. 10; and secs. 14 to 16, inclusive, secs. 21 to 28, inclusive, and secs. 33 to 36, inclusive, all in T. 18 N., R. 24 E., Gila and Salt River meridian, containing approximately 11,010 acres.

Warning is hereby expressly given to all unauthorized persons not to appropriate, injure, destroy, or remove any feature of this monument and not to locate or settle upon any of the lands thereof.

The Director of the National Park Service, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, shall have the supervision, management, and control of this monument as provided in the act of Congress entitled "An act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes," approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), and acts additional thereto or amendatory thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 14th day of November, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and fifty-fifth.

[SEAL]

HERBERT HOOVER.

By the President:

HENRY L. STIMSON,

Secretary of State.

PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK

BOUNDARIES ENLARGED: PROCLAMATION (NO 1975) OF

NOVEMBER 30, 1931, (47 STAT 2486).

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

[No. 1975—Nov. 30, 1931—47 Stat. 2486]

WHEREAS it appears that the public interest would be promoted by adding to the Petrified Forest National Monument, in the State of Arizona, certain adjoining lands for administrative purposes and the protection of a certain approach highway and additional features of scenic and scientific interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Herbert Hoover, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by section 2 of the act of Congress entitled "AN ACT For the preservation of American antiquities," approved June 8, 1906 (34 Stat. 225), do proclaim that, subject to the rights of the owners of privately owned lands and prior valid claims initiated and maintained pursuant to the land laws of the United States, the following-described lands in Arizona be, and the same are hereby, added to and made a part of the Petrified Forest National Monument: That portion of the W.½ NW.¼ sec. 9 lying south and east of the southern boundary of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co.'s right of way in T. 18 N., R. 24 E., Gila and Salt River meridian.

Warning is hereby expressly given to all unauthorized persons not to appropriate, injure, destroy, or remove any feature of this monument and not to locate or settle upon any of the lands thereof.

The Director of the National Park Service, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, shall have the supervision, management, and control of this monument as provided in the act of Congress entitled "AN ACT To establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes," approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535–536), and acts additional thereto or amendatory thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 30th day of November, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and fifty-sixth.

[SEAL]

HERBERT HOOVER.

By the President:

HENRY L. STIMSON,
Secretary of State.

PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK

BOUNDARIES ENLARGED: PROCLAMATION (NO 2011) OF

SEPTEMBER 23, 1932, (47 STAT 2532).

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

[No. 2011—Sept. 23, 1932—47 Stat. 2532]

WHEREAS it appears that the public interest would be promoted by adding to the Petrified Forest National Monument, in the State of Arizona, certain adjoining lands for administrative purposes and the protection of a certain approach highway and additional features of scenic and scientific interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Herbert Hoover, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by section 2 of the act of Congress entitled "AN ACT For the preservation of American antiquities," approved June 8, 1906 (34 Stat. 225), do proclaim that, subject to the rights of the owners of privately owned lands and prior valid claims initiated and maintained pursuant to the land laws of the United States, the following-described lands in Arizona be, and the same are hereby, added to and made a part of the Petrified Forest National Monument:

GILA AND SALT RIVER MERIDIAN

T. 18 N., R. 24 E., sec. 4, all of that part not now within the monument boundaries;
sec. 9, all of that part not now within the monument boundaries.

T. 19 N., R. 23 E., sec. 1, all;
sec. 2, all;
sec. 3, all;
sec. 10, all;
sec. 11, all;
sec. 12, all;
sec. 13, all;
sec. 14, all;
sec. 15, all.

T. 19 N., R. 24 E., sec. 2, all, excluding and excepting right of way of U. S. Highway No. 66;
sec. 3, all, excluding and excepting right of way of U. S. Highway No. 66;
sec. 4, all;
sec. 5, all;
sec. 6, all;

T. 19 N., R. 24 E., sec. 7, all;
sec. 8, all;
sec. 9, all;
sec. 10, all, excluding and excepting right of way of U. S. Highway No. 66;
sec. 16, all;
sec. 17, all, excluding and excepting right of way of U. S. Highway No. 66;
sec. 18, all;
sec. 21, all;
sec. 28, all;
sec. 33, all.

T. 20 N., R. 23 E., sec. 1, all;
sec. 2, all;
sec. 3, all;
sec. 10, all;
sec. 11, all;
sec. 12, all;
sec. 13, all;
sec. 14, all;
sec. 15, all;
sec. 22, all;
sec. 23, all;
sec. 24, all;
sec. 25, all;
sec. 26, all;
sec. 27, all;
sec. 34, all;
sec. 35, all;
sec. 36, all.

T. 20 N., R. 24 E., sec. 1, all;
sec. 2, all;
sec. 3, all;
sec. 4, all;
sec. 5, all;
sec. 6, all;
sec. 7, all;
sec. 8, all;
sec. 9, all;
sec. 10, all;
sec. 11, all;
sec. 12, all;
sec. 13, all;
sec. 14, all;
sec. 15, all;

T. 20 N., R. 24 E., sec. 16, all;
sec. 17, all;
sec. 18, all;
sec. 19, all;
sec. 20, all;
sec. 21, all;
sec. 22, all;
sec. 23, all;
sec. 24, all;
sec. 25, all;
sec. 26, all;
sec. 27, all;
sec. 28, all;
sec. 29, all;
sec. 30, all;
sec. 31, all;
sec. 32, all;
sec. 33, all;
sec. 34, all;
sec. 35, all, excluding and excepting right of way of U. S. Highway No. 66;
sec. 36, all, excluding and excepting right of way of U. S. Highway No. 66.

T. 20 N., R. 25 E., sec. 4, all;
sec. 5, all;
sec. 6, all;
sec. 7, all;
sec. 8, all;
sec. 9, all;
sec. 16, all;
sec. 17, all;
sec. 18, all;
containing approximately 53,300 acres.

Warning is hereby expressly given to all unauthorized persons not to appropriate, injure, destroy, or remove any feature of this monument and not to locate or settle upon any of the lands thereof.

The Director of the National Park Service, under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, shall have the supervision, management, and control of this monument as provided in the act of Congress entitled "AN ACT To establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes," approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535–536), and acts additional thereto or amendatory thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 23rd day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and fifty-seventh.

[SEAL]

HERBERT HOOVER.

By the President:
HENRY L. STIMSON,
Secretary of State.

PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, APPROVED MARCH 28, 1958, (72 STAT 69).

An Act To authorize the establishment of the Petrified Forest National Park in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes, approved March 28, 1958 (72 Stat. 69)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to permit the establishment of the Petrified Forest National Monument, Arizona, and other lands as provided for herein, as the Petrified Forest National Park, such national park shall be established (a) after title to all of the lands described in section 2 of this Act shall have been vested in the United States, with the exception of such easements and rights-of-way for railroad, public utilities, and highway purposes as may be acceptable to the Secretary of the Interior, and (b) when notification of the effective date of such establishment of the park, as determined by the said Secretary, is published in the Federal Register. Disestablishment of the Petrified Forest National Monument shall be effected concurrently with the establishment of the park.

Petrified Forest National Park, Ariz. Establishment.

Publication in F.R.

The Petrified Forest National Park shall be preserved and administered in its natural condition by the Secretary of the Interior for the public benefit in accordance with the general laws governing areas of the National Park System and in accordance with the basic policies relating thereto as prescribed by the Act of August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535; 16 U.S.C., 1952 edition, secs. 1–3).

The exchange authority prescribed for the Petrified Forest National Monument in the Act of May 14, 1930 (46 Stat. 278; 16 U.S.C., 1952 edition, secs. 441, 441a), is hereby extended to all the lands within the Petrified Forest National Park as herein authorized.

For the purposes of this Act, the Secretary is authorized to acquire, in such manner as he shall consider to be in the public interest, any non-Federal land or interests in land within the area hereby authorized to be established as the Petrified Forest National Park. In acquiring any State-owned land or interests therein within the aforesaid area, such property may be procured by the United States without regard to any limitations heretofore prescribed by the Congress relating to the disposal of State-owned properties.

Upon establishment of the Petrified Forest National Park, as authorized by this Act, any remaining balance of funds that may be available for purposes of the Petrified Forest National Monument shall thereafter be available for expenditure for purposes of the Petrified Forest National Park. (16 U.S.C. §119.)

SEC. 2. The Petrified Forest National Park, authorized to be established pursuant to section 1 of this Act, shall comprise the following described lands:

PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK

AN ACT TO DESIGNATE CERTAIN LANDS AS WILDERNESS

(84 STAT 1105). APPROVED OCTOBER 23, 1970.

An Act to designate certain lands as wilderness. (84 Stat. 1105)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

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DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS WITHIN NATIONAL PARKS AND MONUMENTS

SEC. 2. In accordance with section 3(c) of the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 890; 16 U.S.C. 1132(c)), the following lands are hereby designated as wilderness:

(a) certain lands in the Craters of the Moon National Monument, which comprise about forty-three thousand two hundred and forty-three acres and which are depicted on a map entitled "Wilderness Plan Craters of the Moon National Monument, Idaho," numbered 131-91,000 and dated March 1970, which shall be known as the "Craters of the Moon National Wilderness Area";

(b) certain lands in the Petrified Forest National Park, which comprise about fifty thousand two hundred and sixty acres and which are depicted on a map entitled "Recommended Wilderness, Petrified Forest National Park, Arizona", numbered NP-PF-3320-O and dated November 1967, which shall be known as the "Petrified Forest National Wilderness Area".

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SEC. 4. As soon as practicable after this Act takes effect, a map and a legal description of each wilderness area shall be filed with the Interior and Insular Affairs Committes of the United States Senate and the House of Representatives, and such description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this Act: *Provided, however*, That correction of clerical and typographical errors in such legal description and map may be made.

SEC. 5. Wilderness areas designated by or pursuant to this Act shall be administered in accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act governing areas designated by that Act as wilderness areas, except that any reference in such provisions to the effective date of the Wilderness Act shall be deemed to be a reference to the effective date of this Act, and any reference to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be deemed to be a reference to the Secretary who has administrative jurisdiction over the area.

Approved October 23, 1970.